

King of Sweden Does Not Come of Ancient Line

Fourth of the House of Bernadotte—Napoleon's Marshal the Founder—Descendants of Marked Ability and Strong Character.

Oscar II. of Sweden is one of the ablest, most distinguished monarchs of the day, but cannot boast of descent from a long line of rulers. In fact it is but the third generation of Bernadottes that now occupies the throne.

Oscar is the fourth of the house, however, that has reigned, succeeding his brother, who died childless.

Thus runs the line: First, Charles XIV.; then his son, Oscar I.; he was succeeded by his son, Charles XV.; next Oscar II. became king.

Long lines of kings are apt to result in weaklings, unable to guide the ship of state, intellectually and physically unfit for their responsible positions. The House of Bernadotte has occasion to take pride in its record as yet made. Mr. Chamberlain, writing in the Chicago Record-Herald, thus presents the story of the Bernadottes:

Of the reigning families of Europe none has added more to the luster of kingly honor than that to which belongs the present monarch of Sweden. From the time of its founding by the distinguished marshal of France, the prince of Ponte-Corvo, whose title came through the empire power of the great Napoleon, the house of Bernadotte has been one which has ever commanded the highest respect and admiration. Springing as it did from the loins of old fighting stock, it has comprehended almost all that makes for greatness in the view of the world. It is a family of sailors, able seamen, who from boyhood were familiar with ships in all their details; navigators, who, beginning with the boxing of compass, acquired a knowledge of every trick and turn of wind and wave; soldiers, taking naturally to bivouac and battlefield and knowing of experience the ranks and grades of fighting men, from the private in the squad to the commander in chief possessed of the baton of a field marshal. In the arts and sciences its members have given to the world artists, whose handiwork has been of a superior order of merit and whose paintings and modelings adorn public galleries and private collections; singers, whose rare voices have successfully competed with the

down; the talents of the enlisted private were recognized and ere long he was advanced to high positions.

Before we speak of the miracle that placed a French lad of humble origin on the throne of a foreign country, let us review briefly his previous career. He served nine years in his profession without attracting particular attention, but at the end of that period his rise was rapid. He became colonel, general of brigade, then general of division and French minister of war. It was in the campaign of the Rhine and the Italian campaign his military prowess won special recognition; but of this one of his soldiers Napoleon never had any great fondness. Bernadotte was above flattery and above intimidation, and had to be handled with diplomacy. When Napoleon overthrew the directory and had himself made First Consul, Bernadotte would have been glad to defend the directory had he been backed up with strong troops. But the troops



OSCAR II.

were lacking and the emperor's power grew apace. Bernadotte said of Napoleon after his first meeting with the Corsican: "I have seen a man 26 or 27 years old who wishes to be thought 50; this does not augur well for the republic."

Napoleon's judgment of Bernadotte also was discerning: "He has a French head and a Roman heart. He has iron blood in his veins." Napoleon had to reward this dangerous man, however, and try to placate him. He made him a marshal of France. After Austerlitz Bernadotte was more than ever a hero with the people, and there must be added show of imperial favor; Napoleon presented him with the principality of Ponte-Corvo. And presently Bernadotte was offered a still higher post. The man with the French head and Roman heart became Swedish king.

And why and how? When his strange opportunity came, Sweden was in sore perplexity. Her king was old and weak, she had but recently acquired Norway, was a little afraid of Denmark and Russia. The thought came that it might win the favor of the great Napoleon if there were asked to be ruler of Sweden one of his field marshals, namely the prince of Ponte-Corvo. The prince was connected by marriage with Napoleon, his wife a sister of Joseph Bonaparte, Napoleon's oldest brother. So the Swedes argued Bernadotte surely is in high favor with Napoleon, we will ask him to our throne.

It is very probable that Bernadotte never at all enjoyed the favor of Bonaparte, but the emperor did nothing to interfere when the Swedes made the astonishing proposition to name him their crown prince and carried out the astonishing proposition. The famous general was adopted by the childless king, and at the death of the latter (1818) ascended the throne of Sweden and Norway. He enjoyed a long reign,



MARSHAL BERNADOTTE.

was king 26 years, until his death in 1844. As Charles XIV. he succeeded Charles XIII.

Bernadotte was elected successor to the throne some years before he became king. Napoleon in 1810 made known that he would not interfere with this succession, little thinking that presently his old field marshal would be drawn into a coalition that was to end his triumphs. In that last successful coalition of the nations against Napoleon, Bernadotte was persuaded to join, and as crown prince of Sweden and Norway he took active part in the campaigns of 1813-14 against his former chief. At the battle of Leipzig, the decisive "battle of nations," the Swedish contingent pressed the French hard, Bernadotte, who had earlier in the campaign fallen under suspicion as a traitor, showed himself loyal to the coalition, loyal to the Swedes, whom Napoleon had recently threatened with starvation by the closing of their ports.

KATHERINE POPE

REASON WHY DOG SNORED

Canine's Nose Was So Short That There Could Be No Draught, Explains Little Walter.

Walter Bacon, who has no children of his own, tells of the bright remark of a six-year-old boy who is the pride of a friend's family. The friend is a civil and mechanical engineer, and naturally has talked shop around his home until the boy is somewhat familiar with technical terms.

Recently the family took charge of a pug dog belonging to a neighbor, who had gone to the country. The pug was old and fat, and had difficulty in breathing, which caused it to snore when it went to sleep.

The first night the family was kept awake by the dog's snoring, and the next night, things were worse. The engineer and his wife were in a quandary. They had promised the neighbor to take care of the dog, but they felt it was necessary they should sleep. They were discussing the matter at breakfast, while the cause of the disturbance lay contentedly on the rug with its snoring nose between its paws.

Finally the six-year-old boy broke into the conversation. "I know why that dog snores," he said. "Well, why?" inquired the father. "Its nose is so short there is no draught,"—Louisville Herald.

THE LOST CHORD FOUND.

Cheerfully Supplied by Long-Suffering Victims of a Neighborhood Nuisance.

He was a young man in lodgings and he was learning to play the organ. There was no disputing the ear-piercing and pervasive of this embryo cornetist, relates London Tit-Bits.

Every evening during the late heat wave he threw his window open and blew away at the "Lost Chord." It was over the "Lost Chord."

In the commercial-room of the hotel opposite the "knights of the road" sat, scribbling off their orders and hurling anathemas at the head of the young man player.

Finally they held a council of war and determined on his destruction.

Cutting off a window cord, they rang for the boots and ordered him to take it across to the musician, with the following note:

"Dear Sir: Make no more trouble over your 'Lost Chord.' We send you a substitute which we hope you will find long enough."

"We will arrange with the coroner and guarantee a decent burial."

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Proved Beyond a Doubt.

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The lawyer often goes home and hears his wife lay down the law.—N. O. Picayune.

THE TURN OF LIFE

A Time When Women Are Susceptible to Many Dread Diseases—Intelligent Women Prepare for It. Two Relate their Experience.

The "change of life" is the most critical period of a woman's existence, and the anxiety felt by women as it draws near is not without reason.

Every woman who neglects the care of her health at this time invites disease and pain.

When her system is in a deranged condition, or she is predisposed to apoplexy, or congestion of any organ, the tendency is at this period likely to become active—and with a host of nervous irritations, make life a burden. At this time, also, cancers and tumors are more liable to form and begin their destructive work.

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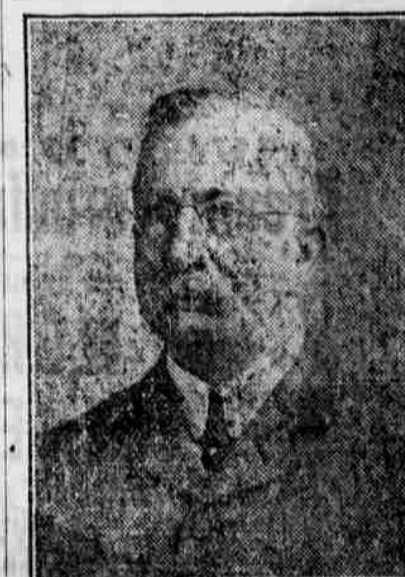
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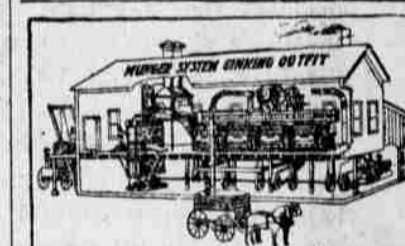
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